

be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. SA99-15-000]

Vidor Pipeline Company; Notice of Petition For Adjustment

April 28, 1999.

Take notice that on March 5, 1999, Vidor Pipeline Company (VPC) filed pursuant to Section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA), a petition for adjustment under Section 285.123(b)(1)(ii) of the Commission's Regulations to permit VPC to use its tariff on file with the Railroad Commission of Texas (TRC), for services performed pursuant to NGPA Section 311.

In support of its petition, VPC states that it is an intrastate pipeline providing transportation service within the State of Texas, and is a gas utility subject to the jurisdiction of the TRC. VPC states that it will in the future perform transportation services pursuant to NGPA Section 311(a)(2) on behalf of interstate pipeline companies and/or local distribution companies served by interstate pipeline companies. VPC states its system will soon be connected to the interstate facilities of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation.

VPC requests an adjustment from 18 CFR Part 284(C) to permit VPC to base its rates for Section 311(a) services on the rates contained in its tariff for Hess Energy Services Company, LLC filed with the TRC. VPC believes the interstate transportation service performed on behalf of Hess Energy Services Company, LLC can be viewed as "comparable" to the services contemplated under Section 311.

The regulations applicable to this proceeding are found in Subpart K of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 of

the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures. All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission within 15 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. The petition for adjustment is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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Notice of OASIS How Working Group Meeting

April 28, 1999.

Take notice that on May 24, 1999, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and on May 25, 1999, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon, the OASIS How Working Group (How Group) will conduct its monthly meeting at the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 3M-2A, Washington, D.C. 20426. The How Group is a voluntary industry group with a diverse membership that has made recommendations to the Commission on the Open Access Same-time Information System (OASIS) and related matters. It is expected that the How Group will discuss OASIS-related issues at the meetings. The meetings will be open to interested participants and the public.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Peer Review Workshop on Guidance for Conducting Health Risk Assessment of Chemical Mixtures

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The EPA Risk Assessment Forum (Forum) is announcing a peer review workshop convened by Eastern Research Group, Inc., an EPA contractor, for scientific peer review of the EPA draft document Guidance for

Conducting Health Risk Assessment of Chemical Mixtures. The workshop will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, and will be open to members of the public as observers. The peer review, to be conducted by scientists from outside EPA, is being organized to review the procedures and related issues presented in the document Guidance for Conducting Health Risk Assessment of Chemical Mixtures. The Forum Technical Panel will consider the opinions of experts outside the Agency in finalizing the document.

DATES: The workshop will begin on Thursday, May 20, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. and end on Friday, May 21, 1999 at 4:00 p.m. Members of the public may attend as observers.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Briedenbach Research Center, 26 West Martin Luther King Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45268. Since seating capacity is limited, please contact Eastern Research Group, Inc., Tel.: (781) 674-7374, by May 14, 1999 to attend the workshop as an observer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical inquiries, contact Dr. Richard Hertzberg, U.S. EPA Region 4, 10th Floor WMD, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104. Tel.: (404)562-8663. The document will be Internet-accessible from the Risk Assessment Forum publications page, at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea/raf/rafpub.htm>. Inquiries concerning the workshop should be directed to Eastern Research Group, Inc.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To address concerns over health risks from multichemical exposures, the U.S. EPA issued Guidelines for Health Risk from Exposure to Chemical Mixtures in 1986 (U.S. EPA, 1986). Those Guidelines described broad concepts related to mixtures exposure and toxicity and included few specific procedures. In 1989, the U.S. EPA published guidance for the Superfund program on hazardous waste that gave practical steps for conducting a mixtures risk assessment (U.S. EPA, 1989). Also in 1989, the U.S. EPA published the revised document on the use of Toxicity Equivalence Factors for characterizing health risks of the class of chemicals including the dibenzo-dioxins and dibenzofurans. In 1990, the U.S. EPA published a Technical Support Document to provide more detailed information on toxicity of whole mixtures and on toxicologic interactions (e.g., synergism) between chemicals in a binary (two-chemical) mixture (U.S. EPA, 1990). The concept of toxicologic similarity was also discussed.